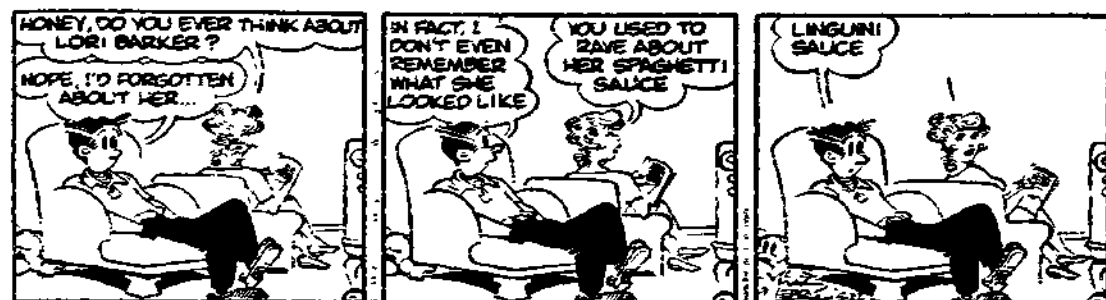


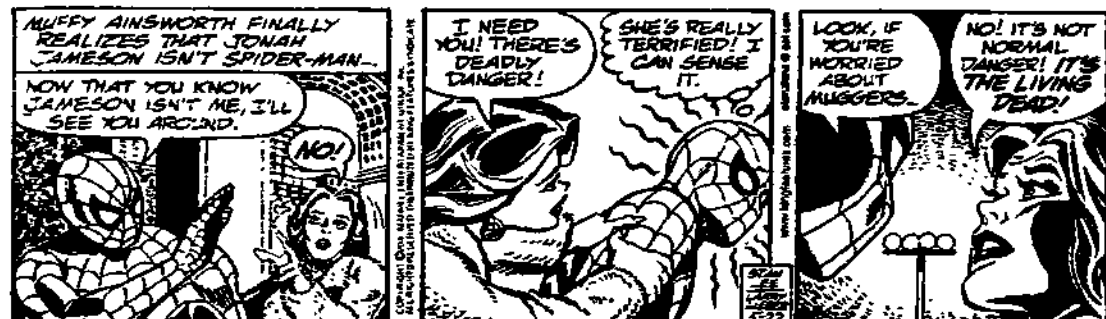
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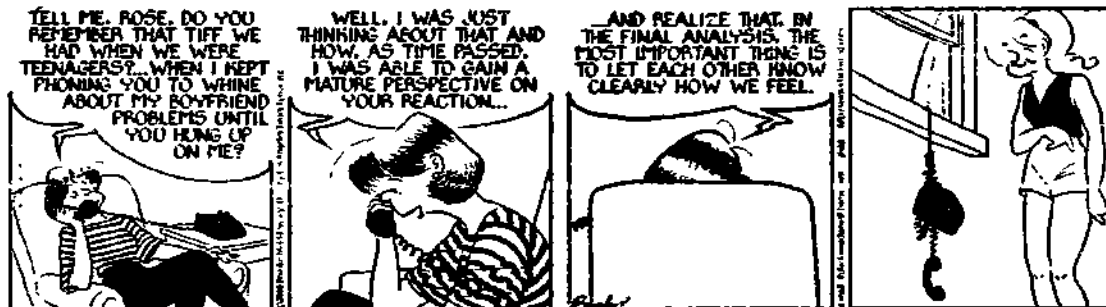
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THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



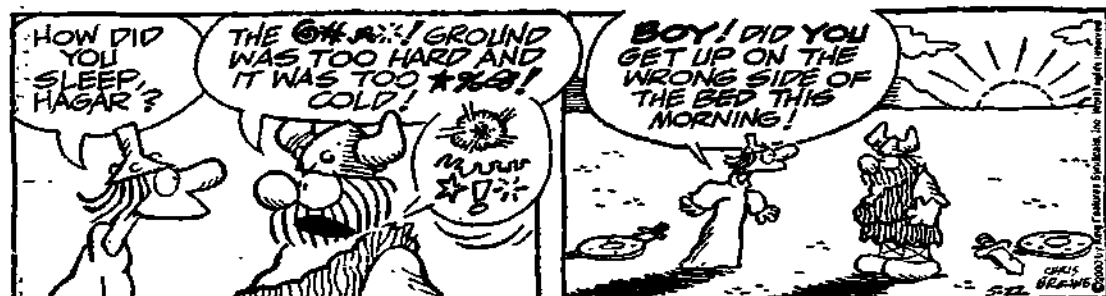
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ROSE IS ROSE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



DILBERT



DENNIS THE MENACE



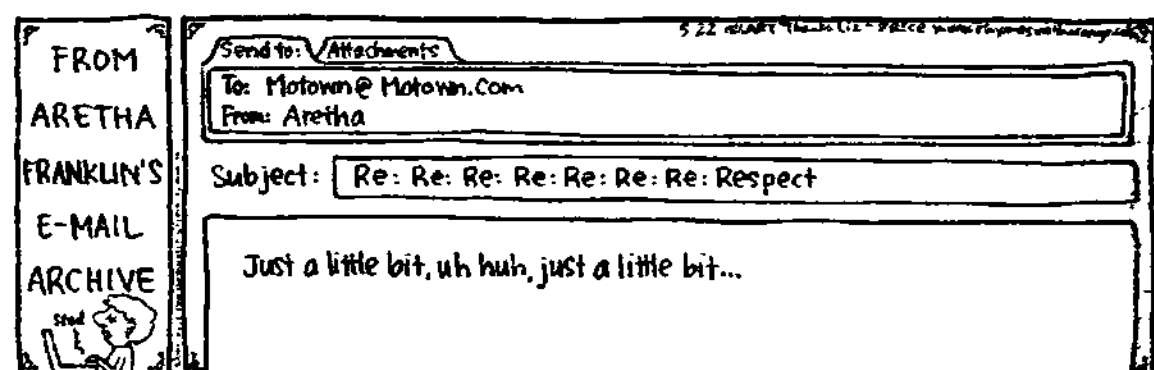
FAMILY CIRCUS



"I CAN'T UNTIE MY SHOE. I THINK I INVENTED A NEW KNOT."

Billy fills in as Bil Keane prepares his monologue for the Cartoonists' Convention later this week.

RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Movie reviewer Judith Crist is 78. Singer Charles Aznavour is 76. Actor Michael Constantine is 73. Conductor Peter Nero is 66. Actor-director Richard Benjamin is 62. Actor Frank Converse is 62. Actor Michael Sarrazin is 60. Actor Paul Winfield is 59. Songwriter Bernie Taupin is 50. Actor Al Corley is 44. Country musician Dana Williams (Diamond Rio) is 39.

I NEED HELP



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R	R	F	O	F	D	A
V	O	O	E	H	S	E
E	L	B	H	L	M	S

by JUDD

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 letter words get 50-point bonus. (Stars' used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Morrow-Wood) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Columbia). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 5-23-00

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

SITES & SIGHTS

FMKDIFDBZXWUSQO
NLBJUHFEDCAYWET
GOOVTMTTTSQTPTH
RNMEEHPHHILNLIG
ASBYKTGSGGSIHSI
VISEFEIIICABPS
ETISBEWSSTSZRNM
SEGIYWNVEDERUAI
ISHGRUQPRDNNCEP
TMTHGISFOENILVL
EJITETISFFOAHHO

Secondary's unused clue: CIRCUS

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Monday's unused clue hint: A PLACE USED FOR BURIALS

Antelope	Forenight	Insight	Overnight
Bombast	Forenight	Line of sight	Parasite
Campsite	Gun sight	Off-site	Web site
Dumpsite	Hindsight	On-site	

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N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0410

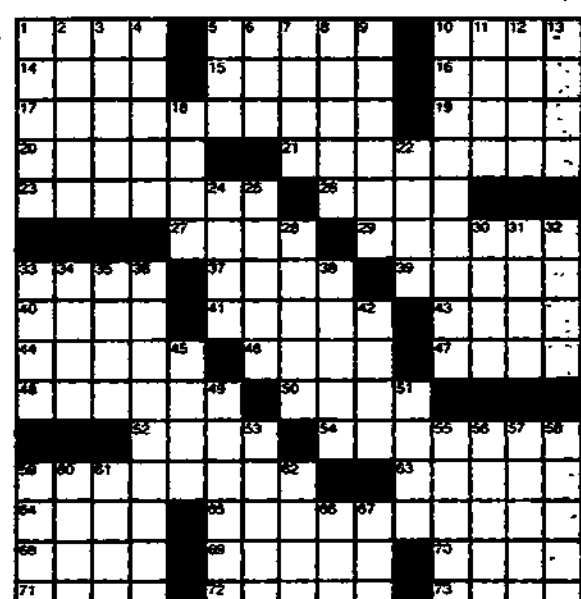
- ACROSS**
- Round farm building
 - Hospital fluid
 - Silent assents
 - Riyadh resident
 - Caribbean vacation spot
 - Biblical murder victim
 - Grammatical reptile?
 - Filthy
 - They fit under desks
 - One feuding with the McCoy's
 - "All ___ go!"
 - Criminal
 - Hill's opposite
 - Midwest negotiator
 - Kind of exam
 - 26-Across items
 - Kenneth with a report
 - New Jersey city next to Hackensack
 - Saddam Hussein, notably
 - Nabisco cookie
 - Helps, as a 26-Across
 - Gulf war missile
 - Library urging
 - City with canals
 - Knots
 - Infatuated
 - Clear a tile floor, maybe
 - Salad pasta
 - Mitchell's Scarlett
 - Landed
 - Pilot-causing reptile?
 - Dog in Oz
 - Like some renewable energy
 - Shipped
 - Clairvoyant
 - Fort ___, Fla.
 - Cupid

DOWN

- Axes
- Humor with a twist
- Bowling alley divisions
- d'art
- Droop
- One for the history books
- Baseball's Bambino
- Shipper's worry in W.W. I
- Mrs. Washington
- Seafaring reptile?
- Theater award
- Farmer's place, in song
- Arctic vehicle
- Thrift shop condition
- Emmies and such
- O. Henry's "The Gift of the ___"
- Disparages
- Put into law
- Taxi rider
- It's measured in square units
- Stepped
- Norwegian king
- After-bath wear

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

RAWBONED STATUS
EXHIBITA URGENT
PLATINUM NUANCE
ARTY TADPOLE SAW
SOFAS EDNA WINO
TSOS REM RONS
SERTA SYMPHONY
OMIT ASIT
SHUTDOWN TERSE
THEN ERR TIER
HELD NEAT MOOLA
ILL STRIATE RTS
GLUTEI THEONIZE
HAVENT HOTWATER
SCANTY SEESTARS



- ACROSS**
- Yemen's chief port
 - Law-practicing reptile?
 - Tentacle sea creature
 - Brainstorm
 - Kind of tissue
 - It's all about me, me, me
 - Target of clean air laws
 - Perturb
 - Temporally attitude
 - Alma ___
 - Maine university town
 - ___ and labor
 - Gymnasts' needs
 - Balm ingredient
 - Summon to court
 - Catalina, e.g.
 - Cigarette stuff
 - Much-maligned federal org.

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